## **VETERAN HARVARD COACH DEFENDS HAMMER EVENT**

William E. Quinn Says Strong Men Need More Test Than Just the Shot Put.

SUGGESTS SAFETY CHANGE

Make It Weigh 21 Pounds and Shorten Handle to Three Feet, His Idea.

William E. Quinn, the veteran ceach of the field athletes of the Har-vard track team, who developed Cable, the best hammer thrower in inter-collectate circles, is opposed to the crasing of the event from the pro-gramme of the intercollectate chamdonships, a movement to which end will be decided at a meeting of the eague here next week. Coach Quinn tention of the event, which is printed

What is to be done with the hammer throw? This question has been recurring ever more frequently during the last few surroundings. Many years ago when they used a rigil wooden handle with a six-teen pound ball attached a strong man weighing 200 bounds could not throw it more than 100 feet, for he did not know more than 100 feet, for he did not know how to use more than one turn. As the aport came to be studied and developed scientifically the hammer thrower ac-quired more and more skill: a flexible wire handle was substituted for the clumsy weeden one: and now in our in-tercollegiate meetings we find a number of men throwing over 150 feet and some of them approaching 170 feet.

The result has been that the event can-not be conducted safely on the ordinary athletic field encircled by a quarter mile track. At Pennsylvania this is done still, but at the other colleges it has been found necessary to isolate the event, re-move it to some back lot or other conthe athletic programme so far as the spectator is concerned, and I believe this isolation detracts somewhat from the in-terest in the event from the point of view of the competitor. Undenlably it is too interesting an event for the spectator and too valuable an event for the athlete to be lost entirely. As it is the two weight events, shot and hammer, scarcely afford sufficient opportunity for the heavy man to exploit himself. But that is another question. I dare say there are a goodly number of regular attenders to track athletic contests who rever have seen a ham. letic contests who never have seen a ham-

#### Elementary School Title Games

16.58 seats are being reserved for teachers. There will be also a number of visitors from other cities who are interested in seeing how such a big meet is managed. They will put into effect in their home organizations the methods which they see used by the expert corps of officials who will have charge of the meet.

It will be necessary to enforce strict rules in order to avoid confusion among so many athletes, and the boys are to be instructed to dress in certain sections which will be set aside, one for the en-rants in each event. As soon as each heat is fulshed the competitors will be obliged to leave the floor until they are called out again. Guards will be pro-vided to watch the youngsters' clothing while they are taking part in the races. An innovation will be a parade of all the athletes before the games begin and this will start at 1:45 o'clock.

Cy Young May Pitch Again.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 21.—Manager Billy Smith of the local Southern League club has effered Cy Young a job on his pitch-ing staff. Smith believes the Southern climate would restore Young's lost effecclimate would restore roungs lost enec-tiveness and that the veteran would be good for many more years of service, showing the same benefits of the milder temperature exhibited by Theodore Breit-enstein, who still is on the staff of the New

Wolgast a Real Estate Star.

Los Angeles, Dec. 21.—Ad Wolgast's stest success is in the game of real este. He has just sold four acres of land tate. He has just sold four acres of land on Washington boulevard for \$3,000 an acre—the same land which he purchased three months ago for \$2,000 an acre. Wolgast now owns close to \$200,000 worth of property between Los Angeles and Venice, Cal.

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Tom Cable, the great colored hammer thrower of Harvard, who owe much of his prowess to the teachings of the veteran Quinn. Cable is the best hammer thrower in intercollegiate circles at present.

#### THE MAN WHO KNOWS SPC ALL NOTABLES IN

Julian W. Curtiss isn't taking much actured throw competition. What, then, is to be done to brink the hammer throw back into iss own and give it justice?

To me the simplest and most efficacious polution of the problem would seem as follows: Increase the weight of the ball to twenty-one pounds and shorten the handle to three feet. Let all the other cenditions and rules remain precisely the same as they exist to-day. Thus no college man could possibly learn enough about hammer throwing in four years to throw it more than 103 or 105 feet. A college hammer thrower is never seen at his best because the sport is technically so difficult that he cannot master all its details in four years if he does anything editails in four years if he does anything distillation that the event can be conducted and other competitors on our college ather throwing in four years if he does anything details in four years if he does anything and other competitors on our college ather throwing and other competitions on our college and that veteral advisers and other competitions on our college ather throwing and policy in the problem would seem as they exist to-day. Thus no college hammer thrower is never seen at his best because the sport is technically so difficult that he cannot master all its details in four years if he does anything and other competitors on our college ather throwing and other competitors on our college ather throwing and the problem would seem as they exist to-day. Thus no college hammer thrower is never seen at his best because the sport is technically so difficult that he cannot master all its details in four years if he does anything and other competitors on our college of the American Assention and the conducted and other competitors on our college ather throwing in the first out of the New York Club in reagantly and the time is not far distant when there for the fact that the late John T. Brush in the order time to he in thins back in the late John T. Brush in the order that bear in the late John T. Brush in the

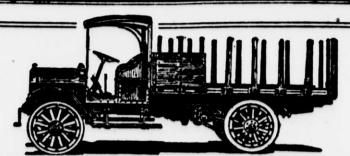
declined. Anson entered politics and was elected City Clerk of Chicago He opened a billiard hall and bowling alley and pros-

and other competitors on our college atheletic fields. The fundamental principle of the harmoner throw would remain absolutely unchanged. It would require and develop the same alacrity, strength and develop the same alacrity strength and streng

Promise Record Attendance.

The entries for the elementary school indoor chambionships, which will be held at Madison Square Garden next Saturday afternoom, have broken all records. Fifty-eight schools will be represented in the monster meet and more than 1,050 achietes will be on the floor. In the midget relay race alone thirty-three teams are entered and the other relay races have drawn almost as many. This will be the largest number of athletes that ever have taken part in a meet in New York, and the P. S. A. L. officials believe that one would be hard but to it to find says set of games which attract such a large entry shool students and significant states of the older circuit, so that he again had have the floor, have been invited. Admission will be free to elementary school students and as many tickets have been distributed as the seating capacity of the big Garden will permit. For the pupils in all five boroughs 15,382 televables who will be interested in seeing how such a big meet in this country, has repeating the distributed and the other relay races have been distributed as the seating capacity of the league, and other prominent folk, among them John D. Archbold and Vincent Astor, have been invited. Admission will be free to elementary school students and as many tickets have been distributed as the seating capacity of the big Garden will permit. For the pupils in all five boroughs those free while the lase an unber of visiting exhibitions with the cut of the National League when the Brothers. There will be also a number of visiting exhibitions with the cut of the chicagos is high the word and the would not provided. National League Club, is a veteral triumple.

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### AT THE CHESS BOARD: **GAMES AND PROBLEMS**

National Masters' Tourney Now Seems Assured-Entry

strongest metropolitan players entries will be received from other Eastern cities as well as from the middle and far West.

Janowski and one or two other European masters will make the trip across the pond. Announcement was made that there will be at least five prizes, of which the first will not be less than \$500, while to the nonprize winners a fee of \$5 will be paid for twelve players will contest, but it goes without saying that the number might be in-creased even to sixteen, in case first class players from the West and middle West should make such a number necessary. For obvious reasons no special invitations were issued, but every American chess player considering himself strong enough and having a record may apply and his application will get careful consideration.

Many persons in writing to THE SUN during the last week gave an additional during the last week gave an additional eason for the breakdown of the New York-Havana congress. They maintain that Americans would have been more ready to support that contest if American masters. been excluded. There may be something in that, but on the whole the statement made in The Sun last Sunday came as an amazement to all. Nobody thought it possible that such a small numi of patrons could be found for an important interna-Julian W. Curtiss isn't taking much ac- in baseball politics. Lloyd was associated eral satisfaction to have some big contest

In 1885 and 1886 the St. Louis Browns, champions of the American Association, and the Chicagos champions of the National ness again. Murnane's last appearance While four students from each of the big

rounds decide the championship in that

Although the games in the handicap tourney of the Manhattan Chess Club and in the championship tourneys of the Rice and Progressive chess clubs are not played entirely according to schedule, still much interest is evinced on the part of the contesting and noncontesting members of these clubs, especially so when important games are being played. There were fully thirty spectators when the young star Kupchik met the New Jersey champion Stapfer at the Progressive Club, a game List Open.

List Open.

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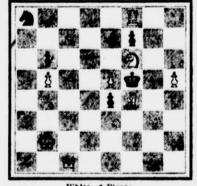
It is good news to the chess world that most of the subscribers to the proposed New York-Havana congress, which unfortunately did not realize, consented to have their contributions to that fund transferred to the fund of a national masters tourneament to the fund of a national masters tourneament will begin on Sunday, January 19, at 20 clock in the afternoon at one of the metropolitan chess clubs. It is too early as yet to say how the field will be composed, but assurances can be given that both Capablanca and the American champion, Marshall, will be found in the ring. It also is to be hoped that in addition to many of the strongest metropolitan players entries will be received from other Eastern cities as well in the handican tourney of the Manhattan Chess Club as forther date the Rice Chess Club when Roething date the Rice Chess Club by moving uptown to Harlem, has made at the Manhattan Chess Club at the Rice Chess Club by moving uptown to Harlem, has made at the Manhattan Chess Club at the Rice Chess Club by the avenue. Of course the Progressive Club, new or administed all along the champion of the club hitherto. By January 12, the club room will boast a frontage of six windows, and no less than sixteen chess clubs. It is too early as yet to say how the field will be composed, but assurances can be given that both Capablanca and the American champion, Marshall, will be found in the ring. It also is to be hoped that in addition to many of the members of full swing. For the progressive comments of the Manhattan Chess Club has Sunday afternoon, when the championship and handicap tourneys were in full sw

PETROFF'S DEPENSE.

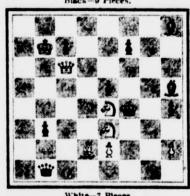
At the Rice Chess Club:

Q-QKt4

PROBLEM NO. 319, BY FR. MATOUSPK



PROBLEM NO. 320, BY G. J. DUNKA



SOLUTION TO PROBLEM NO. 817. Q-Bs. RikP or R-Qs. Q4, Q5 or Kt any; 2 B--Kt2 ch 1 Q-Bs, KxP; 2 QxP ch, &c. 1 Q-Bs, K--K5; 2 QxBP ch, &c. 1 Q-Bs, R--Q6; 2 Q--R5 ch, &c.

SOLUTION TO PROBLEM NO. 218.

Correct solutions to both these problems received from Norman L. Perry, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Dr. W. H. Rider, Danbury, Conn.; A. H. Warner, Philadelphia, Pa.; Howard Clark, Portland, Me.; Robert H. Hilson, New York city; Joseph Weissfeld, New York city.
Additional correct solution received to No. 316 from C. J. Windester, Coronado, Cal.
Correct solution received to No. 318 from F. N. Burr, Ansonia, Conn.

Chess Pditor.

A. H. Warner, Philadelphia, Ps.—Another effort shall be made to straighten up the matter of letters addressed to this department.

W. J. Rider, M. D., Danbury, Conn., claims a "cook" to No. 316, by means of 1. R—R4. How does the doctor propose to mate in answer to 1. B—K45 or B—K3. If R—Q4 ch, Kxi' and no mate. no mate.
J. H. Stapfer, West Hoboken, N. J.—Intelligent
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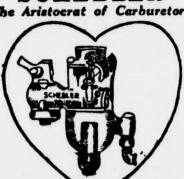
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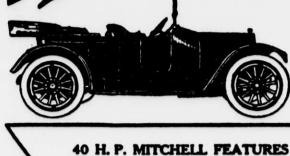
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